Location, management, and maintenance of the Sree Rama Varma Ayurvedic Dispensary at Trichur.

355. Mr. A. Narayana Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) in how many buildings is the above dispensary located;

(2) what amount is spent by way of rent to the said buildings;

(3) (a) cannot buildings at cheaper rents be had in less crowded parts of the town;

(b) are not Government buildings available to locate the dispensary;

(4) (a) how many Physicians and Surgeons are attached to the dispensary;

(b) what amount is spent by way of salary or honorarium to each of the Physicians and Surgeons;

(5) (a) are medicines and medical advice given free to all who attend the dispensary;

(b) if not, is there any rule as to who should be treated free and who should be charged; if there are any rules, will the Government be pleased to place them on the table;

(6) are there any beds for patients in the dispensary;

(7) (a) what amount was spent in the last two years for giving medicine to patients;

(b) the answer may kindly be given under the following heads:—

(a) Thailams or oils;
(b) Ghrithams or ghees;
(c) Arishtams;
(d) Lehyams;
(e) Powders;
(f) Other medicines; and
(g) Making charges, etc.;

(8) (a) have the Government sent any to the Trivandrum Central Ayurvedic Hospital to study the ways in which patients are given medicines;

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(b) is it not the practice in Ayurvedic Dispensary in Trivandrum to charge cost price for items (a) to (d) in the above questions and to give only Kashayams and powders free;

(c) were the Government apprised of this fact by written answers submitted to the Special Finance Committee by qualified Ayurvedic Physicians?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(1) The dispensary was until recently held in two rented buildings.

(2) Rs. 52 per mensem.

(3) (a) No.

(b) The hospital has been transferred to a Government building with effect from 3rd Vrischigam 1111.

(4) (a) Physicians 9.
Surgeon 1.

(b) Vide statement appended *(Appendix IV)*.

(5) (a) Yes.

(b) Does not arise.

(6) No.

(7) (a) 1109 Rs. 3,080—7—5.
1110 Rs. 4,518—5—7.

(The above figures represent the amount spent for medicines in 1109 and 1110. The making charges, viz., the pay of the servants engaged for the preparation of medicines come to Rs. 576 in 1109 and Rs. 1,215—1—0 in 1110 in addition to the above figures.)

(b) It is not possible to furnish separate figures under the several heads as it involves a great amount of clerical labour not commensurate with the public service served thereby.

(8) (a) No.

(b) Government have no information.

(c) No.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon.—With regard to 8 (b) will the Government kindly make proper enquiries to get the information?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—We do not differ. Our practice also is to charge only the cost price for medicines supplied to Vydiasalas and to give it free to the public.

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Mr. A. Narayana Menon.—In Travancore will the Government kindly get the information as to whether patients are not charged the cost price for the medicines given to them?

Mr. President.—The whole scheme is to give the medicines free.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ.— മരുന്നുണ്ടാക്കുവാനുള്ള ചിലവിനു ആദ്യം ഒരു ലീസ് റേറ്റുണ്ടാക്കി. രണ്ടാമത്തെ ലീസ് റേറ്റുണ്ടാക്കുമ്പോൾ ആദ്യത്തെ ലീസ് റേറ്റുപ്രകാരമുള്ള പണത്തിൽ ബാക്കിയുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതു കൂടി ഗ്രാൻറുചെയ്യുന്നുള്ളൂ. അതുകൊണ്ട് വേണ്ടിടത്തോളം മരുന്നുണ്ടാക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കാതെവരുന്നുണ്ട്. ഇതിനു എന്തെങ്കിലും ഒരു നിവാരണമുണ്ടാക്കുവാൻ ഗവൺമെൻറു വിചാരിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—The change was brought about, Sir, in this way. We in the first instance omitted to include the making charges of the medicines prepared by the temporary staff. We afterwards included that also in the cost of medicines and hence the difference.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ.— മരുന്നുണ്ടാക്കുന്നതിനു കൂടുതൽ വിലഗവൺമെൻറിൽനിന്നും അനുവദിക്കണം. എന്നാലെ ധാരാളം മരുന്ന് ശേഖരിക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കയുള്ളൂ.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I have asked for an additional allotment for my department.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—That is not for the Panchayat Vaidiasalas. I request the fact may be noted by the Government.

Town Improvement scheme in Mattancheri.

356. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the town improvement scheme in Mattancheri as submitted by the Committee is receiving the attention of the Government; if so, what steps have so far been taken in respect thereof?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes; it has been decided to take up the works of widening the Palliviruthi road and the Eravelly canal scheme recommended by the Committee as early as possible. An estimate for the Eravelly canal work is under preparation by the P. W. D.

Vatakarapathy Village Office—reconstruction of.

357. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether the village office building in Vatakarapathy, Chittur is not in a dangerous condition;

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APPENDIX III—(*contd.*)

Serial No.	Name of Periodical	Number of copies	Remarks
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48	Quarterly Journal of Microspical Science	1	
49	The Journal of the Royal Microspical Science	1	
50	The new Phytologist	1	
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57	Journal of Oriental Research	1	
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61	The Maharaja's College Magazine, Ernakulam	1	
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63	British Journal of Educational Psychology	1	
64	Journal of Educational Research	1	

APPENDIX IV.

(Question No. 355).

Statement showing the particulars of physicians and surgeons attached to the Rama Varma Central Ayurvedic Hospital, Trichur.

	Designation.	*Pay.*	*Remarks.*
1.	Superintendent (Physician and Surgeon)	Rs. 100	
2.	Chief Physician	,, 50—60	Draws Rs. 52.
3.	Assistant Physician	,, 30—40	,, ,, 32.
4.	Lady Physician	,, 25	
5.	Eye Specialist	,, 40	
6.	Poison Specialist	,, 30	
7.	Physician for supervising the preparation of medicines	,, 30	

Honorary Physicians.

1.	Honorary Chief Physician	Pays Rs. 15 per visit.
2.	Honorary Physicians (2)	No allowance.

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